



DO NOT LET THE COPS, ICE, OR THE FBI INTO THIS HOME

You have the same constitutional rights with any local, state, or federal law enforcement agency. You have a right to be free from unreasonable searches and seizures. You have a right to remain silent and do not have to answer questions from agents. Exercise these rights to the fullest.

If an agent knocks, DO NOT OPEN THE DOOR.

If possible, speak through the door. If you must go outside to speak, close the door behind you.

If they want to talk:

- Say "I will not answer any questions without the advice of a lawyer."
- Ask for their business card.
- Do not sign anything that you're given.
- If the agent is with the FBI and you live in the Bay Area, call the National Lawyers Guild San Francisco Chapter at (415) 285-1041. Leave a message, let them know it's urgent and that you need immediate assistance from a lawyer.
- If the agent is with ICE and you live in the Bay Area, call the San Francisco Immigrant Legal and Education Network ICE raid hotline at (415) 200-1548.

If they're here to search your house:

- Ask if they have a search warrant. Without a warrant, agents cannot enter your home.
- If they do not have a warrant say "I do not consent to a search."
- If they have a warrant, ask them to slide it under the door or mail slot.
- The warrant must state the place to be searched and the items to be seized. It must be signed and dated by a judge. Warrants older than ten days are considered invalid.
- Any object left "in plain sight" may be seized if it is contraband or evidence of a crime.
- If possible before agents enter, shut down electronic devices, remove items from plain sight, and close doors.

If they're here to arrest someone:

- Agents must have an arrest warrant to arrest someone inside a home.
- The warrant must be signed by a judge and specify the person to be arrested.
- If the arrest occurs inside, agents may search the area of the person arrested. To limit this, the person may leave the house, lock the door, and surrender.
- If arrested state, "I am going to remain silent, I would like to speak to a lawyer."

After an incident, write down every detail you can remember and provide that information to your lawyer. Helpful information includes date, time, location, all people present, any names or questions mentioned by the agents, the reason they gave for the visit, and a full inventory of items seized as evidence.

Information taken from:

"If an Agent Knocks," Center for Constitutional Rights.

https://ccrjustice.org/sites/default/files/assets/files/CCR_If_An_Agent_Knocks.pdf

"Know Your Rights! What to do if questioned by Police, FBI, Customs Agents or Immigration Officers", ACLU 2004.

http://www.nlgsf.org/sites/default/files/resources/kyr_english.pdf